

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

(Atty. Docket No.: SIR-MIS-00001-US-CIP[4])

IN THE APPLICATION OF:)	
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James McSwiggen <i>et al.</i>)	
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Serial No.)	10/757,803
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Examiner:)	Amy Hudson Bowman
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Filed:)	January 14, 2004
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Group Art Unit:)	1635
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Title)	RNA Interference Mediated
)	Inhibition of Gene Expression
)	Using Chemically Modified
)	Short Interfering Nucleic Acid
)	(siNA)

AMENDMENTS AND RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants now respond to the Office Action mailed January 22, 2009, in the above-captioned application. Also submitted herewith is a petition for a three (3)-month extension of time as well as the appropriate fees. No other fees are thought to be presently due; however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge payment of any additional fees required in connection with the paper(s) transmitted herewith, or to credit any overpayment of the same, to Deposit Account No. 50-4615.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.
